

# SCSU CRISP CCSA Teacher Module 2016

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**Title of Module:** Designing Prosthetic Devices

**Subject or Unit of Study:** Biotechnology

**GRADE LEVEL:** Middle School and/or High School

**LENGTH OF DEMO/LESSON:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **STUDENT OBJECTIVES:**

Students will be able to:

1) Execute and explain the Engineering Design Process:

- i. Identify a need
- ii. Research the problem
- iii. Design a solution
- iv. Build, test, and evaluate a prototype
- v. Communicate the solution
- vi. Troubleshoot and redesign

2) Design and build a model prosthesis that can perform similar functions to the human hand

3) Recognize design constraints and critically assess design solutions

## **NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS**

NGSS Performance Tasks	<p><b>MS-ETS1-2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Evaluate competing design solutions using a systematic process to determine how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.</li></ul> <p><b>HS-ETS1-3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem based on prioritized criteria and trade-offs that account for a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics as well as possible social, cultural, and environmental impacts.</li></ul>
NGSS Disciplinary Core Ideas (DSI)	<p><b>MS-PS1-3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gather and make sense of information to describe that synthetic materials come from natural resources and impact society.</li></ul> <p><b>MS-ETS1-1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Define the criteria and constraints of a design problem with sufficient precision to ensure a successful solution, taking into account relevant scientific principles and potential impacts on people and the natural environment that may limit possible solutions.</li></ul> <p><b>MS-ETS1-3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Analyze data from tests to determine similarities and differences among several design solution to identify the best characteristics of each that can be combined into a new solution to better meet criteria for success.</li></ul> <p><b>MS-EST1-4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop a model to generate data for iterative testing and modification of a proposed object, tool, or process such that an optimal design can be achieved.</li></ul> <p><b>HS-ETS1-1</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze a major global challenge to specify qualitative and quantitative criteria and constraints for solutions that account for societal needs and wants.</li> </ul> <p><b>HS-ETS1-2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design a solution to a complex real-world problem by breaking it down into smaller, more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering.</li> </ul> <p><b>HS-ETS1-4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a computer simulation to model the impact of proposed solutions to a complex real-world problem with numerous criteria and constraints on interactions within and between systems relevant to the problem.</li> </ul>
NGSS Cross Cutting Concepts (CCC)	<p><b>CC-4: Systems and System Models</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Models (e.g., physical, mathematical, computer models) can be used to simulate systems and interactions—including energy, matter, and information flows— within and between systems at different scales. (HS-ETS1-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>CC-2: Cause and Effect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New technologies can have deep impacts on society and the environment, including some that were not anticipated. Analysis of costs and benefits is a critical aspect of decisions about technology. (HS-ETS1-1) (HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul>
NGSS Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)	<p><b>SEP 2- Developing and Using Models</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asking questions (for science) and defining problems (for engineering) Constructing explanations (for science) and designing solutions (for engineering)</li> </ul>

**COMMON CORE STANDARDS**

CC - ELA/Literacy Standards	<p><b>RST.11-12.7</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>RST.11-12.8</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate the hypotheses, data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>RST.11-12.9</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Synthesize information from a range of sources (e.g., texts, experiments, simulations) into a coherent understanding of a process, phenomenon, or concept, resolving conflicting information when possible. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul>
CC-Math Standards	<p><b>MP.2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (5-PS1-1)</li> </ul> <p><b>MP.4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Model with mathematics. (5-PS1-1)</li> </ul>

## **MATERIALS**

- Cardboard boxes
- Elastic bands
- Wood pencils
- Binder clips
- Masking tape
- Film ribbon
- Pipe cleaners
- Paper clips
- Straws
- Scissors
- Any other inexpensive basic office or paper materials.

## **SAFETY**

N/A. All materials are standard office items.

## **LEARNER BACKGROUND**

Students should have a foundational understanding of arm/hand anatomy and biomechanics. Basic skills in geometry and algebra coupled with an understanding of physics principles of motion will aid in the successful construction of a model prosthetic hand.

## **LEARNING ACTIVITY OR PROCEDURE**

Students will design a prosthetic device. Students will apply knowledge of human arm/hand anatomy and biomechanics to design, build, and test a hand prosthetic using standard office items. Students will collaborate to decide which combination of materials meet design requirements and generate a prosthetic that is able to grasp, lift, and release akin to the hand. Educators are encouraged to develop extension classroom activities based on supporting content provided in this module.

## **ASSESSMENT**

A useful assessment framework could be a design evaluation, task completion checklist at scheduled checkpoints, a group presentation, or a final written report about the design process.

## **STEM CAREERS**

Bioengineer  
Biomedical Engineer  
Biomechanical Engineer  
Manufacturing Technician  
Mechanical Engineer  
Occupational Therapist  
Orthotist  
Physical Therapist  
Prosthetist  
Research & Development Scientist

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Engineering, Go For it! Lesson: Build a Prosthetic Device

<http://teachers.egfi-k12.org/lesson-build-a-prosthetic-device/>

Pearson Education, Inc. Project STEM. Designing Prosthetic Devices.

<http://www.pearsonschool.com/index.cfm?locator=PS14Kt&PMDbProgramID=80564>

Rochester Institute of Technology Traveling Engineering Activity Kits (T.E.AK.)

Biomedical Engineering Kit: The Biomechanical Hand and Joint

[http://edge.rit.edu/content/TEAK-O/public/kit%20documents/Bio%20Kits/Biomechanical%20Joint/Joint\\_LessonPlan.pdf](http://edge.rit.edu/content/TEAK-O/public/kit%20documents/Bio%20Kits/Biomechanical%20Joint/Joint_LessonPlan.pdf)

#### **TEACHER NOTES**

An interesting extension activity could be a trip to a MakerSpace or public library to use a 3D printer. 3D printing is the new frontier for prosthetics.

[http://www.nytimes.com/2015/02/17/science/hand-of-a-superhero.html?\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/2015/02/17/science/hand-of-a-superhero.html?_r=0)

<http://health.usnews.com/health-news/health-wellness/articles/2014/07/16/how-3-d-printing-will-revolutionize-prosthetics>

<http://enablingthefuture.org/tag/3d-printed-prosthetics/>